CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 5687

AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 3.72.030 adding a new section E to address temporary (acting) or provisional appointments for Fire Department employees only.

WHEREAS, since the enactment of the 1985 Civil Service Rules, there has been a divergence of opinion as to when a vacancy for a promotional appointment occurs; and,

WHEREAS, the Fire Department and Local 1604 jointly proposed a change in the promotional rules to the Bellevue Civil Service Commission that deletes the six month time limitation and includes language addressing a vacancy that occurs within the period that the acting member is assigned; and

WHEREAS, this amendment is designed to avoid selecting members off an expired eligibility promotional list and to eliminate the need for a permanent disability or conditional promotion rule; and

WHEREAS, this amendment will enable the Fire Department to make acting appointments for Civil Service ranks for a period exceeding six months and minimize the impacts of reassigning platoon duty personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Bellevue Civil Service Commission adopted a Resolution subject to City Council approval, to change the rules governing Civil Service temporary and provisional appointments to add a new section pertaining to firefighters only; now, therefore

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby enacted a new subsection of Chapter 3.72.030 of the Bellevue City Code to read as follows:

3.72.030 Exceptions.

E. No acting appointments shall be continued and no person shall be employed in an acting position for more than the duration of the current certified Civil Service promotional list. Time served in a continuous acting capacity shall be credited towards the employee's probationary period for the rank serviced in an acting capacity and shall be used in computing any privileges accruing under Civil Service Law or these rules, if a vacancy occurs within the period that the acting member is assigned. The provisions of this subsection apply to Fire Department

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employees only. If this subsection conflicts with the provisions of any other subsection, the provisions of this subsection shall control.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after passage by the City Council.

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